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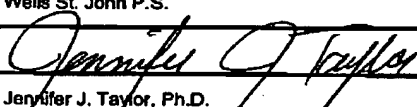
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For FY 2005☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| Design | 200 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | |
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